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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois General Assembly are proud to pay tribute to those who have given their lives to protect and serve the citizens of this State; and

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WHEREAS, Twenty-seven year old Illinois State Trooper John Kugelman was a 3-year veteran of the Illinois State Police; a former military police officer, he was on the waiting list to become a Chicago police officer when he was hired by the Illinois State Police and assigned to District 2 in Elgin; and

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WHEREAS, On November 10, 1986, Trooper John Kugelman was manning a roadblock in order to subdue a parole violator who led police on an 85 MPH chase; leaving his squad car, he attempted to halt the suspect's car while on foot when he was struck and killed by the suspect; and

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WHEREAS, After his tragic passing, Trooper John Kugelman was posthumously promoted to the rank of Sergeant; and

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WHEREAS, Trooper John Kugelman was survived by his wife, Janice; his parents; his sister, Beth; and his nephew; therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE

1 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE  
2 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we urge the Illinois State Toll  
3 Highway Authority and the Illinois Department of  
4 Transportation to rename the I-355/I-290 Interchange near  
5 Itasca as the Trooper John Kugelman Memorial Interchange in  
6 honor of Trooper John Kugelman and his great dedication and  
7 selflessness in serving our State; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority  
9 and the Illinois Department of Transportation are requested to  
10 erect at suitable locations, consistent with State and federal  
11 regulations, appropriate plaques or signs giving notice of the  
12 name of the Trooper John Kugelman Memorial Interchange; and be  
13 it further

14 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be  
15 delivered to the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority, the  
16 Illinois Department of Transportation, and the family of  
17 Trooper John Kugelman.